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where $(\lambda - c)(\mu - c) = h^2$, $\lambda\mu = l^2$, $\lambda \geq \mu$. If l is assumed $\geq c + h$, as is natural, λ and μ are real, unequal, and greater than c . The result of the transformation is

$$A = 2(\lambda - \mu) \int_{\sqrt{\frac{\mu-c}{\lambda-c}}}^{\sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\lambda}}} \frac{\sqrt{(\lambda - c)v^2 - (\mu - c)}}{\sqrt{\mu - \lambda v^2}} \cdot \frac{\lambda v + \mu}{(v + 1)^2} dv.$$

The final result will be simplified if we transform again, putting

$$v = \frac{\sqrt{\mu(\mu - c)}}{\sqrt{\mu(\lambda - c) - (\lambda - \mu)cv^2}},$$

which gives

$$A = 2c(\mu - c) \int_0^1 \frac{(3\lambda c + 3\mu c - 2\lambda\mu - 4c^2)\mu^2 + (\lambda\mu + 5\mu c - 3\mu^2 - 3\lambda c)\mu cv^2 + (\lambda - \mu)\mu c^2 v^4}{(\mu - cv^2)^3 \sqrt{1 - v^2} \sqrt{\mu(\lambda - c) - (\lambda - \mu)cv^2}} \cdot w^2 dw \\ + 2c(\mu - c) \sqrt{\mu(\mu - c)} \int_0^1 \frac{(\lambda + \mu - 4c)\mu - (\lambda - 3\mu)cv^2}{(\mu - cv^2)^3 \sqrt{1 - v^2}} \cdot w^2 dw.$$

These integrals are respectively elliptic and circular. On making the necessary reductions, we find, after much calculation,

$$A = c(\mu - c) \sqrt{\frac{\mu}{\lambda - c}} F\left(\sqrt{\frac{(\lambda - \mu)c}{\mu(\lambda - c)}}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) - c\sqrt{\mu(\lambda - c)} E\left(\sqrt{\frac{(\lambda - \mu)c}{\mu(\lambda - c)}}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \\ - \frac{c(\mu - c)(\lambda + \mu - c)}{\sqrt{\mu(\lambda - c)}} \Pi\left(-\frac{c}{\mu}, \sqrt{\frac{(\lambda - \mu)c}{\mu(\lambda - c)}}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right) + \frac{\pi}{2} \cdot c(\lambda + \mu - c).$$

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Show how to reduce the left-hand members of the following identities to their respective right members:

$$\sin^2(x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \sin(x + \tfrac{3}{2}y) \sin(x - \tfrac{1}{2}y) = \sin^2 y, \quad (1)$$

$$\sin(x + y) \sin(x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \sin x \sin(x + \tfrac{3}{2}y) = \sin \tfrac{1}{2}y \sin y, \quad (2)$$

$$\sin x \sin(x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \sin(x - \tfrac{1}{2}y) \sin(x + y) = \sin \tfrac{1}{2}y \sin y. \quad (3)$$

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The terms of the left-hand members can be expressed as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} & \sin^2(x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \sin(x + \tfrac{3}{2}y) \sin(x - \tfrac{1}{2}y) \\ (1) \quad &= \frac{1 - \cos(2x + y)}{2} + \frac{1}{2}[\cos(2x + y) - \cos 2y] = \frac{1 - \cos 2y}{2} = \sin^2 y. \\ (2) \quad & \sin(x + y) \sin(x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \sin x \sin(x + \tfrac{3}{2}y) = -\tfrac{1}{2}[\cos(2x + \tfrac{3}{2}y) - \cos \tfrac{1}{2}y] \\ & \quad + \tfrac{1}{2}[\cos(2x + \tfrac{3}{2}y) - \cos(-\tfrac{3}{2}y)] = \tfrac{1}{2}[\cos \tfrac{1}{2}y - \cos(-\tfrac{3}{2}y)] = \sin \tfrac{1}{2}y \sin y. \\ (3) \quad & \sin x \sin(x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \sin(x - \tfrac{1}{2}y) \sin(x + y) = -\tfrac{1}{2}[\cos(2x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \cos(-\tfrac{1}{2}y)] \\ & \quad + \tfrac{1}{2}[\cos(2x + \tfrac{1}{2}y) - \cos(-\tfrac{3}{2}y)] = \sin \tfrac{1}{2}y \sin y. \end{aligned}$$

Also solved by R. B. WILDERMUTH, JEROME J. JULIAN, KATHERINE S. ARNOLD, R. M. MATHEWS, H. L. OLSON, H. E. CARLSON, A. T. DINEEN, R. C. COLWELL, and ROGER A. JOHNSON.

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An urn contains N balls, numbered from 1 to N . Of these n are drawn out and are arranged linearly according to the numbers on each. A certain ball is observed to be the k th in this line. What is the most probable number written on this ball?